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## **MOVIE REVIEW**

## Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets

he movie Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets is the sequel to the first movie, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. The film, directed by Chris Columbus,

traces the events in Harry's life at Hogwarts. It is based on the novel of the same name written by JK Rowling. During the second year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, the heir of Salazar Slytherin opens the Chamber of Secrets, unleashing a monster that petrifies the school's students. The film also introduces new characters like Dobby, a house-elf who warns Harry that it is dangerous to return to Hogwarts, Gilderoy Lockhart, Hogwarts' new Defence Against the Dark Arts teacher, former student Tom Riddle, who in reality was the younger self of Lord Voldemort and Moaning Myrtle.

The great Basilisk in the Chamber of Secrets was a huge snake, bred by Salazar Slytherin with the intent to kill Muggle-born. The movie takes us farther into Harry Potter's mind- the isola-

tion he feels from the magical world

for being introduced to it ten years late into his life- while taking us deeper into the history of Hogwarts and the Dark forces surrounding it. It also properly introduces us to the divisions and the discriminations that exist in the magical world. The jungle, the castle and its dark corridors, shapeshifting staircases, cloud touching towers and many magical creatures that make an appearance, make this movie worth watching. The film does not deviate much from the book.

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